

(Rs. crores)

		<i>Original Allocation</i>	<i>Provision made so far</i>
	Rural	2.02	2.02
iii)	LIC Loan (anticipated)	10.00	
	Total:	25.52	18.02

(c) The LIC has sanctioned a loan of Rs.23.69 crores in June, 1989 for the project outside plan allocation at the then prevailing commercial rate of interest of 14%. The interest rate on such schemes has now been enhanced to 18% per annum.

Rajasthan Water Supply and Sewerage Corporation has not so far complied with the requirements for lifting any instalment of LIC loan for the project.

(d) The Government of Rajasthan has not yet sent any request for release of first instalment of LIC loan due to high rate of interest. Matter of availing the already sanctioned LIC loan outside plan allocation at commercial rate of interest is under consideration of the State Government.

[Translation]

Small Scale Industries in Madhya Pradesh

*109. SHRI PHOOL CHAND VERMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of small scale industries set up in Madhya Pradesh during 1991-92;

(b) whether this number is low as compared to the previous two years; if so, to what extent; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to set up more small scale industries in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) and (b). As per information furnished by Govt. of Madhya Pradesh, the number of registered small scale units set up in Madhya Pradesh during the period April, 1991 to January, 1992 was 18,048. This is higher than the number of registered small scale units set up during the corresponding periods of 1989-90 and 1990-91.

(c) the policy measures for promoting and strengthening small, tiny and village enterprises in the country including Madhya Pradesh were laid in Parliament on 6th August, 1991.

[English]

Project Reports of Growth Centres

*113. SHRI ANNA JOSHI : PROF. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the States which have sent project reports of growth centres to the Union Government;

(b) the broad details of the proposals sent to the Union Government by the Governments of Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Gujarat and Andhra Pradesh;

(c) the action taken by the Union Government thereon; and

(d) the funds, if any, allocated to these States in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) to (d). Project reports have been received from the Governments of Andhra Pradesh, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Jammu & Kashmir, Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Nagaland, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Tripura and Uttar Pradesh.

Under the Growth Centre Scheme, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Gujarat and Andhra Pradesh have been allotted 8, 5, 5, 3 and 4 Growth Centres, respectively. The final selection has been made in consultation with the State Governments.

The Government of Uttar Pradesh had sent 13 proposals which were Agra, Aligarh, Barabanki, Bulandshar, Basti, Etawah, Gorakhpur, Jhansi, Jaunpur, Kanpur Dehat, Moradabad, Pauri Garhwal and Shahjahanpur. From out of these, the Districts of Bulandshar, Etawah, Gorakhpur, Jhansi, Jaunpur, Moradabad, Pauri Garhwal and Shahjahanpur were selected.

The Government of Rajasthan had sent 10 proposals which were Bharatpur, Sawai Madhopur, Bhilwara, Jhalawar, Bikaner, Sirohi, Ajmer, Alwar, Dholpur and Behor. From out of these the Districts of Bhilwara, Jhalawar, Bikaner, Sirohi and Dholpur were selected.

The Government of Maharashtra had sent 12 proposals which were Parbhani,

Chandrapur, Nanded, Nashik, Ratnagiri, Gadchiroli, Akola, Wardha, Kolhapur, Yavatmal, Wardha and Dhule. From out of these, the Districts of Akola, Chandrapur, Dhule, Nanded and Ratnagiri were selected.

The Government of Gujarat has sent 6 proposals which were Kutch, Banaskantha, Bharuch, Surendra Nagar. From out of these, the Districts of Kutch, Banaskantha and Bharuch were selected.

The Government of Andhra Pradesh had sent 8 proposals which were Nalgonda, Medak, Khammam, Vizianagaram, Prakasam, Rajamundry, Chittoor and Anantapur. From out of these the Districts of Khammam, Vizianagaram, Prakasam and Anantapur were selected.

From above States, only 4 projects from Andhra Pradesh, 4 from Rajasthan and 2 from Uttar Pradesh were received upto 31.3.1991 and a sum of Rs. 50 lakhs each was released to them.

Minimum Needs Programme

***114. SHRI GANGADHARA SANIPALLI:** Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey has been conducted to find out the performance under the Minimum Needs Programme in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the allotment made during the current year for this programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) No, Sir. There has been no survey or study conducted at the national level to ascertain the progress made